Inter-State Bus Route.

*Q.—11. Sri M. C. BASAPPA (Chamarajanagar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that travelling public are put to lot of inconvenience near Mysore State border in Mysore-Coimbatore road, due to exchange of buses ;

(*b*) when Inter-State operation is permitted in all other routes why exchange system is insisted only at this point ?

*A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Food) [on behalf of Sri D. Devaraj Urs (Minister for Transport and Tourism)].—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Since there is no agreement at present between the two States of Mysore and Madras for operation of this Inter-State route, there is no bus on this entire Inter-State route and hence each State bus has to terminate at the State border.

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—Is it necessary to have a separate agreement to run buses on each Inter-State route ?

†Sri B. D. JATTI.—Unless both the State Governments are agreed, it is not possible to run buses on each Inter-State route.

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—There are already some routes in which our buses are operating.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—As far as this route is concerned, the matter is pending before the Madras High Court.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—Is it pending before the High Court of Madras ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Yes, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Then, it is *sub-judice*.

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—The Writ is in respect of Inter-State agreement between Madras and the MSRTC, which is stayed by the High Court of Madras.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—I won't allow any supplementaries.

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—Sir, the point is this. There are private buses operating between these two places.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—Let me understand. Is it a supplementary or an explanation to me or an interpellation or a question ?

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—Sir, Government are mistaken. They are giving an answer regarding the agreement of the MSRTC. with the State Government of Madras. My question relates to general transport.

Mr. SPEAKER.—As the matter is before the High Court of Madras, it is *lis pendens*. Even though the Madras High Court is outside Mysore, does the Member mean to say that it takes away.....

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—The agreement in question is between the MSRTC of Mysore and the Government of Madras, and my question relates to transport in general.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Has the Hon'ble Member seen the scope of the Writ Petition and know what it is ?

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—I have not gone into the contents of the Writ Petition.—My question relates to.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—Government knows it. It is covered by that.

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—Government have not said that.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Why was it read ?

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—By mistake, they are reading that it relates to..

Mr. SPEAKER.—Has the Government committed a mistake ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—I do not admit that Government has committed a mistake.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—If it is a specific route, it relates ..

Mr. SPEAKER.—Are we arguing on hypothetical things ?

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—The agreement is between the MSRTC and the Government of Madras as between individuals. It is not a general policy.

Sri S. SIVAPPA.—As the Hon'ble Minister is in the know of all the facts, let him reveal all the details, Sir.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Shall I give the details ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—Yes.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—In the High Court of Madras.

"Petition praying that in the circumstances stated therein and in the affidavit filed with W. P. No. 1113 of 1965 on the file of the High Court, the High Court will be pleased to issue an injunction restraining the State Government from issuing the directions proposed to be issued by G.O. Ms. 1834, Home, dated 11th June 1964, to the State Transport Authority under section 43 (i) of the Act pending W. P. No. 1113 of 1965 presented to the High Court under article 226 of the Constitution of India to issue a writ of Mandamus directing the State Government to forbear from issuing the directions in G.O.Ms. 1834, Home, dated 11th June 1964 to the State Transport Authority, Madras, under section 43 (i) of the Act.

ORDER:—This petition coming on for orders upon perusing the petition and the affidavit filed in support of W. P. No. 1113 of 1965 on the file of the High Court, and upon hearing the arguments of Mr. V. K. Tiruvenkatachari, for Mr. V. C. Palaniswamy, Advocate for the petitioner, it is ordered (1) that notice be given to the respondents herein, to show cause why this application should not be complied with; and (2) that an injunction do issue restraining the first respondent herein from

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issuing the directions proposed to be issued by G.O.Ms. 1834, Home, dated 11th June 1964, to the State Transport Authority under section 43 (i) of the Motor Vehicles Act pending further orders on this petition."

Mr. SPEAKER.—Now, what has been read shows that the matter is in determination. It refers to a G. O. If the members are keen, I will hold it over. Government should have stated earlier that it is governed by *lis pendens*. I will hold our the Question.

Next question. Sri K. P. Gadag. Member absent.

Question hour is over.

QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(but not taken up).

Railway Level Crossings.

*Q.—240. Sri V. S. PATIL (Belgaum).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of Railway Level Crossings that are there within the limits of the Belgaum City and Cantonment area ;

(*b*) the number of such crossing that are there within the limits of 5 miles from Belgaum proper ;

(*c*) whether they are aware of the great inconvenience experienced by the public as well as by Government servants and air personnel due to the closure of gates at these crossings ;

(*d*) whether there are any proposals to construct overbridges on these level crossings, and if so, on what level crossing ;

(*e*) whether they are aware that the Central Government was prepared to bear the expenses of some of these level crossings as they were and are hampering military movements ;

(*f*) why no over-bridge has been undertaken as yet by the State Government ?

A.— Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) There are seven level crossings within the limits of Belgaum City and Cantonment area.

(*b*) There are 17 such Railway crossings within the limits of 5 miles from Belgaum proper.

(*c*) Yes.